

Permitting & Assistance Branch Staff Report

Revised Solid Waste Facilities Permit for the

Scholl Canyon Landfill

SWIS No. 19-AA-0012

November 29, 2011

Background Information, Analysis, and Findings:

This report was developed in response to the Los Angeles County, Department of Public Health, Local Enforcement Agency's (LEA) request for the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (Department) concurrence on the issuance of a proposed revised Solid Waste Facilities Permit (SWFP) for the Scholl Canyon Landfill, SWIS No. 19-AA-0012, located in Los Angeles County and owned by the City of Glendale, and operated by the County Sanitation Districts No. 2 of Los Angeles County. A copy of the proposed permit is attached. The report contains Permitting & Assistance Branch staff's analysis, findings, and recommendations.

The proposed permit was initially received on July 29, 2011. The permit was returned to the LEA at their request on September 17, 2011. A new proposed permit was received on November 9, 2011. Action must be taken on this permit no later than January 3, 2012. If no action is taken by January 3, 2012, the Department will be deemed to have concurred with the issuance of the proposed revised SWFP.

Proposed Changes

The following changes to the permit are being proposed:

	Current Permit (2002)	Proposed Permit
Permitted Hours of Operation	Landfill and Ancillary Operations 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM Receipt of Refuse 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Monday through Saturday Receipt of Refuse – 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Landfill Operations – 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM Equipment Operations and Maintenance – 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Remaining Capacity (cubic yards)	17,900,000	9,900,000* *See page 6 part C, Specifications
Estimated Closure Date	2019	April 2030* *See page 6 part C, Specifications
Findings	<p>a. A Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan was approved by the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) on June 23, 1999. Pursuant to Public Resources Code (PRC), section 50001 (a)(1), this facility is identified in the Countywide Siting Element which has been approved pursuant to PRC Section 41721.</p> <p>b. This permit is consistent with standards adopted by the CIWMB. [PRC, Section 44010].</p> <p>c. The design and operation of the facility</p>	<p>a. A Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan was approved by the former California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) now the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) on June 23, 1999. Pursuant to Public Resources Code (PRC), section 50001 (a)(1), this facility is identified in the Countywide Siting Element which has been approved pursuant to PRC Section 41721.</p> <p>b. This permit is consistent with the standards adopted by CalRecycle, pursuant to PRC 44010.</p>

	<p>is in compliance with the State Minimum Standards for Solid Waste Handling and Disposal as determined by the Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) based on a review of the November 2000 Report of Disposal Site (revised December 2001) and an inspection conducted on February 27, 2002.</p> <p>d. The local fire protection agency (Glendale City Fire Department, Environmental Management Center) has determined that the facility is in conformance with applicable fire standards as required in PRC, Section 44151.</p> <p>e. The following environmental documents have been filed with the State Clearinghouse (SCH) for this facility: Negative Declaration for the Drainage Modification of the Scholl Canyon Final Fill Plan (SCH #96031019); Negative Declaration for the Scholl Canyon Landfill Gas Collection System Master Plan (SCH #97081050)</p>	<p>c. The design and operation of the facility is consistent with the State Minimum Standards for Solid Waste Handling and Disposal as determined by the Local Enforcement Agency (LEA), pursuant to PRC 44009.</p> <p>d. A permit review was conducted on December 3, 2009, and a field inspection was conducted on June 22, 2011.</p> <p>e. The <u>Glendale City</u> Fire Department, Environmental Management Center has determined that the facility is in conformance with applicable fire standards, pursuant to PRC, 44151.</p> <p>f. The following environmental documents have been filed with the State Clearinghouse (SCH) for this facility: Negative Declaration for the Drainage Modification of the Scholl Canyon Final Fill Plan (SCH #96031019); Negative Declaration for the Scholl Canyon Landfill Gas Collection System Master Plan (SCH #97081050)</p> <p>g. A Notice of Exemption was filed with the County Clerk on December 11, 2009, for the construction of 14 landfill gas monitoring wells.</p> <p>h. A Notice of Exemption was filed with the County Clerk on September 29, 2011, to formalize the hours of landfill operation.</p> <p>i. This permit does not supplant or modify local land use entitlements or local agencies' authority to enforce local entitlements. It is recognized by the LEA that the operator must comply with the provisions of the Integrated Waste Management Act (IWMA), state regulations and the terms and conditions of this permit as well as other regulatory requirements and applicable local land use measures which govern the operator's activities at the site. If the requirements inadvertently overlap, it is expected the operator will comply with the more stringent requirement in order to maintain compliance. Non-compliance with another agency requirement may not constitute a violation of this permit, the IWMA, or state regulations.</p>
Prohibitions	Section is not in the permit.	<p>The permittee is prohibited from accepting the following wastes: Hazardous, radioactive, untreated medical, liquid, designated, sludge, large dead animals or other wastes requiring special treatment or handling, except as identified in the Report of Disposal Site Information and approved amendments thereto and as approved by the enforcement agency and</p>

		other federal, state, and local agencies.
Documents	<p>Report of Disposal Site Information – November 2000</p> <p>Negative Declaration SCH #89020833 – March 22, 1989</p> <p>Negative Declaration SCH #94071051 – September 29, 1994</p> <p>Preliminary Closure Plan – May 1994 (amended December 2001)</p> <p>Preliminary PostClosure Maintenance Plan – May 1994 (amended December 2001)</p> <p>Joint Powers Agreement – October 7, 1997</p> <p>City of Glendale Zoning Variance Case No. 6668-U – November 27, 1978</p> <p>Certificate of Self-Insurance and Risk Management (Operating Liability) – December 31, 1994</p> <p>Closure Financial Responsibility Document – December 31, 2001</p> <p>Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 01-132 – September 2001</p>	<p>Report of Disposal Site Information (RDSI) – January 2009, Revised April 2011</p> <p>Negative Declaration SCH #89020833 – March 22, 1989</p> <p>Negative Declaration SCH #94071051 – September 29, 1994</p> <p>Preliminary Closure Plan – January 2009, Revised May 5, 2011</p> <p>Preliminary Post-Closure Maintenance Plan – May 5, 2011</p> <p>Notice of Exemption – September 29, 2011</p> <p>Joint Powers Agreement – October 7, 1997</p> <p>City of Glendale Zoning Variance Case No. 6668-U – November 27, 1978</p> <p>Certificate of Self-Insurance and Risk Management (Operating Liability) – April 5, 2011</p> <p>Closure/PostClosure Financial Responsibility – January 2009, Revised July 14, 2011</p> <p>Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 01-132 – March 3, 2011</p>
LEA Conditions	<p>A. Standard Requirements</p> <p>1. This facility shall comply with all State Minimum Standards for Solid Waste Handling and Disposal.</p> <p>2. This facility shall comply with all federal, state, and local requirements and enactments including all mitigation measures given in any certified environmental document filed pursuant to Public Resources Code, Section 21081.6.</p> <p>3. The operator shall notify the LEA, in writing, of any proposed changes in the routine facility operation or changes in facility design. In no case shall the operator undertake any changes unless the operator first submits to the LEA a notice of said changes at least 150 days before said changes are undertaken.</p> <p>4. The operator or owner shall notify the LEA of any plans to encumber, sell, transfer, or convey the ownership or operation, at least <u>45 days prior to the</u></p>	<p>A. Standard Requirements:</p> <p>1. This facility shall comply with all applicable State Minimum Standards for Solid Waste Handling and Disposal as specified in Title 27, California Code of Regulations (27 CCR).</p> <p>2. Additional information concerning the design and operation of this facility shall be furnished upon request by the LEA personnel.</p> <p>3. A copy of this permit and current RDSI, as amended, shall be maintained at the facility so as to be available at all times to facility personnel and the LEA.</p> <p>4. Notification to the LEA on the same day for any written complaints received or any complaint called into the facility and any record of receipt of a violation from any regulatory agency.</p> <p>5. This permit is subject to review by the LEA and may be suspended, revoked or revised at any time for sufficient cause.</p>

	<p><u>anticipated transfer</u>, by written certification and including information deemed sufficient by the CIWMB and the LEA. If the facility will not be operated in compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit, the new owner shall be required to file an application for a revision of this permit.</p> <p>5. Additional information concerning the design and operation of this facility shall be furnished upon request of the Enforcement Agency's personnel.</p> <p>6. The operator shall maintain a log of special/unusual occurrences. The log shall include, but not be limited to, fires, landslides, earthquake damage, unusual and sudden settlement, injury and property damage accidents, explosions, receipt or rejection of unpermitted wastes, flooding, and other unusual occurrences. Include a summary of the actions taken to mitigate the occurrence. The operator shall maintain this log at the facility so as to be available at all times to site personnel and to the Enforcement Agencies' personnel. Any entries of special/unusual occurrences made in this log must be reported to the LEA <u>at once</u>. Call the Duty Officer, County of Los Angeles, Department of Health Services, Solid Waste Management Program at (323) 881-4151.</p> <p>7. The operator shall maintain a copy of this permit at the facility so as to be available at all times to facility personnel and to Enforcement Agencies' personnel.</p> <p>8. The operator shall immediately report any incidents of untreated medical waste to the State Department of Health Services at (916) 327-6904.</p> <p>9. The operator shall provide training for facility personnel to educate them in identification of untreated medical wastes and the proper action to take once this type of waste is identified.</p> <p>10. The LEA reserves the right to suspend or modify waste receiving operations when deemed necessary due to an emergency, a potential health hazard or the creation of a public nuisance.</p> <p>11. This permit is subject to review by the LEA and may be suspended, revoked or</p>	<p>6. The LEA reserves the right to suspend or modify waste receiving operations when deemed necessary due to an emergency, a potential health hazard, or the creation of a public nuisance.</p> <p>7. The operator shall notify the LEA, in writing, of any proposed changes in the routine facility operation or changes in facility design during the planning stages. In no case shall the operator undertake any changes unless the operator first submits to the LEA a notice of said changes <u>at least 180 days</u> before said changes are undertaken. Any significant change as determined by the LEA would require a revision of this permit.</p> <p>8. The operator and/or owner shall notify the LEA of any plans to encumber, sell, transfer, or convey the operation or ownership to a new operator or owner, <u>at least 45 days</u> prior to the anticipated transfer, by written certification, including information deemed sufficient by the CalRecycle and the LEA. If the facility will not be operated in compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit, the new owner shall be required to file an application for a revision of this permit.</p> <p>9. The operator shall maintain a log of special/unusual occurrences. The log shall include, but not be limited to, fires, landslides, earthquake damage, unusual and sudden settlement, injury and property damage accidents, explosions, receipt or rejection of unpermitted wastes, flooding, operational shutdowns and other unusual occurrences. Include a summary of the actions taken to mitigate the occurrence. The operator shall maintain this log at the facility so as to be available at all times to site personnel and LEA personnel. Any entries of special/unusual occurrences made in this log must be reported to the LEA <u>at once</u>. Call the duty officer, County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Health, Solid Waste Management Program at (626) 430-5540.</p> <p>10. The operator shall immediately report any incidents of untreated medical waste to the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Medical Waste Management Program at (213) 977-6877 or (213) 977-7379.</p> <p>11. The operator shall provide training to their personnel to educate them in the identification of medical waste as well as the proper action to take in the event this type of waste is identified at the site.</p>
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	<p>modified at any time for sufficient cause.</p> <p>B. Particular Requirements</p> <p>1. Operational controls shall be established to preclude the receipt and disposal of volatile organic chemicals or other types of hazardous or prohibited wastes:</p> <p>a. The operator shall install and maintain an operational, calibrated radiation detector at the scales to detect radioactive materials, at all times, during the hours of receipt of refuse.</p> <p>Incidents of receipts of suspected radioactive materials shall be reported immediately to the Los Angeles county Department of Health Services, Radiation Management Program at (213) 738-4059 and the LEA.</p> <p>b. The operator shall conduct a waste load checking program as described in the Report of Disposal Site Information (RDSI) dated November 2000. Any changes in this program must approved by the LEA prior to implementation. The following Solid Waste Facility Permit conditions supplement the RDSI program:</p> <p>(1) The minimum number of random waste loads to be inspected daily at this landfill is five (5).</p> <p>(2) During the hours of operation, an attendant or attendants shall be present at all times to supervise the loading and unloading of the waste material. The active working face shall be under continual visual inspection by landfill personnel, including spotters, equipment operators and supervisors for evidence of hazardous and/or unpermitted waste. Employees performing these duties shall be trained to recognize hazardous and/or unpermitted waste and new employees shall be trained prior to work assignment.</p> <p>(3) Incidents of unlawful disposal of illegal hazardous materials shall be reported to the Duty Office, Los Angeles County Fire Department, Health Hazardous Materials Division at (323) 890-4045.</p>	<p>B. Particular Requirements:</p> <p>1. Operational controls shall be established to preclude the receipt and disposal of volatile organic chemicals or other types of prohibited wastes:</p> <p>a. The operator shall install and maintain an operational, calibrated radiation detector at the scales to detect radioactive materials, at all times, during the hours of receipt of solid waste.</p> <p>b. Incidents of receipt of suspected radioactive materials, or warnings from the radiation detector, shall be reported immediately to the County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Health, Radiation Management Program at (213) 351-2718 and the LEA.</p> <p>c. The operator shall comply with the approved Hazardous Waste Screening Program as described in the current Report of Disposal Site Information (RDSI). Any changes in this program must be approved by the LEA prior to implementation. The following Solid Waste Facility Permit conditions supplement the RDSI program:</p> <p>(1) At minimum, five (5) random load checks shall be conducted at the facility per operating day. The operator shall inspect waste vehicle loads if there is any reason to believe the loads may contain prohibited wastes.</p> <p>(2) The LEA may increase the required number of incoming waste load inspections if it has reason to believe that the number currently required is inadequate to ensure compliance with the regulations and protection of the public health and safety and the environment.</p> <p>(3) At all times when facility operations are underway, an attendant or attendants shall be present to supervise the loading and unloading of solid waste and other materials. All working disposal areas shall be under continual visual inspection by facility personnel, such as spotters, equipment operators, and supervisors.</p> <p>(4) Facility personnel and new employees performing duties required by the Waste Load Checking Program shall be trained prior to assignment. The training must include, but is not limited to, how to</p>
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	<p>(4) Any hazardous materials thus found shall be set aside in a secure area to await proper disposition following notification of the producer (if known) and the appropriate governmental agencies. A generator identification number has been obtained: Federal E.P.A. I.D. No. CA 0000927426.</p> <p>2. The methane gas monitoring program shall proceed and the self-monitoring reports shall continue to be submitted to the Local Enforcement Agency by the operator.</p> <p>3. The operator shall maintain adequate records regarding length and depth of cuts made in natural terrain where fill is placed. The operator shall maintain, at the facility, accurate <u>daily</u> records of the weight and/or volume of refuse received. These records shall be available to the LEA's personnel and to the CIWMB's personnel and shall be maintained for a period of at least one year.</p> <p>4. The operator shall not accept any large dead animals for disposal unless approved by the LEA.</p> <p>C. Specifications:</p> <p>1. The remaining design capacity of 17.9 million cubic yards [specified on Page 1, Section 5(e) of this permit] represents the estimated remaining permitted site capacity as of September 30, 2001.</p> <p>2. The Estimated Closure date [specified on Page 1, Section 5(e) of this permit] is based on information given in the November 2000 RDSI.</p>	<p>recognize hazardous waste and other prohibited waste, the proper method of containment, and the reporting requirements of this program. Facility personnel are to be retrained on an annual basis and updated as needed.</p> <p>(5) Incidents of unlawful disposal of prohibited materials shall be reported to the LEA monthly as described in the monitoring section of this permit. In addition, the following agencies shall be notified <u>at once</u> of any incidents of illegal hazardous materials disposal:</p> <p>(a) Duty officer, Los Angeles County Fire Department, Health Hazardous Materials Division at (323) 890-4317.</p> <p>(b) Environmental Crimes Division, Los Angeles County District Attorney at (213) 974-6824.</p> <p>(c) California Highway Patrol at (213) 736-2971.</p> <p>(6) Any hazardous materials thus found shall be set aside in a secure area to await proper disposition following notification of the producer (if known) and the appropriate governmental agencies.</p> <p>2. The LEA reserves the right to require the operator to provide more stringent dust and odor control measures, if the proposed dust and odor control measures identified in the current RDSI prove to be inadequate or ineffective.</p> <p>C. Specifications:</p> <p>1. The remaining design capacity of 9.9 million cubic yards [specified on Page 1, Section 5(e) of this permit] represents the estimated remaining permitted site capacity based on the last physical site survey conducted on October 26, 2010.</p> <p>2. The Estimated Closure date [specified on Page 1, Section 5 (e) of this permit] is based on information given in the January 2009 RDSI (revised on April 2011).</p> <p>3. Five of the 26 monitoring perimeter probes are now incorporated into the solid waste facility permitted boundary through a Permit to Enter granted by Los Angeles County for the purpose of maintenance and to monitor for methane gas migration. Detailed information regarding these probes is included in the January 2009 RDSI (revised on April 2011).</p>
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Findings:

Staff recommends concurrence in the issuance of the proposed revised SWFP. All of the required submittals and findings required by Title 27 of the California Code of Regulations (27 CCR), Section 21685, have been provided and made. Staff has determined that the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements have been met to support concurrence. The findings that are required to be made by the Department when reaching a determination are summarized in the following table. The documents on which staff's findings are based have been provided to the Branch Chief with this Staff Report and are permanently maintained by the Permits and Certification Division.

27 CCR Sections	Findings	
21685(b)(1) LEA Certified Complete and Correct Report of Facility Information	The LEA provided the required certification in their permit submittal letter dated November 9, 2011.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acceptable <input type="checkbox"/> Unacceptable
21685(b)(2) LEA Five Year Permit Review	A Permit Review Report was prepared by the LEA on December 3, 2009.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acceptable <input type="checkbox"/> Unacceptable
21685(b)(3) Solid Waste Facility Permit	Staff received a proposed Solid Waste Facilities Permit on November 9, 2011.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acceptable <input type="checkbox"/> Unacceptable
21685 (b)(4)(A) Consistency with Public Resources Code 50001	The LEA in their permit submittal package received on July 29, 2011, provided a finding that the facility is consistent with PRC 50001. Waste Evaluation & Enforcement Branch (WEEB) staff in the Jurisdiction Product & Compliance Unit found the facility is identified in the Countywide Siting Element and with the Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan, as described in the memorandum dated August 8, 2011.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acceptable <input type="checkbox"/> Unacceptable
21685 (b)(5) Preliminary or Final Closure/ Postclosure Maintenance Plans Consistency with State Minimum Standards	Engineering Support Branch staff in the Closure and Facility Engineering Unit found the Preliminary Closure/Postclosure Maintenance Plan is consistent with State Minimum Standards as described in their memorandum dated May 5, 2011.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acceptable <input type="checkbox"/> Unacceptable
21685 (b)(7)(A) Financial Assurances Documentation Compliance	Permitting and Assistance Branch staff in the Financial Assurances Unit found the Financial Assurances documentation in compliance on November 9, 2011.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acceptable <input type="checkbox"/> Unacceptable
21685 (b)(7)(B) Operating Liability Compliance	Permitting and Assistance Branch staff in the Financial Assurances Unit found the Operating Liability in compliance on November 9, 2011.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acceptable <input type="checkbox"/> Unacceptable
21685(b)(8) Operations Consistent with State Minimum Standards	Permitting and Assistance Branch and LEA staff found that the facility was in compliance with all operating and design requirements during an inspection conducted on	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acceptable <input type="checkbox"/> Unacceptable

27 CCR Sections	Findings	
	November 10, 2011. See compliance history below for details.	
21685(b)(9) LEA CEQA Finding	The LEA provided a finding in their permit submittal package received on November 4, 2011, that the proposed permit is consistent with and supported by the existing CEQA documentation. See details below.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acceptable <input type="checkbox"/> Unacceptable
21650(g)(5) Public Notice and/or Meeting, Comments	A Public Informational Meeting was held by the LEA on June 27, 2011. No written comments were received by LEA or Department staff. Oral comments were address by LEA and City of Glendale staff. See details below.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acceptable <input type="checkbox"/> Unacceptable
CEQA Determination to Support Responsible Agency's Findings	The Department is a responsible agency under CEQA with respect to this project. Permitting and Assistance Branch staff has determined that the CEQA record can be used to support the Branch Chief's action on the proposed revised SWFP.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acceptable <input type="checkbox"/> Unacceptable

Compliance History:

The LEA and Permits and Assistance Branch staff conducted a pre-permit inspection on November 10, 2011. LEA and Permits and Assistance Branch staff found that the facility is in compliance with applicable state minimum standards and permit conditions.

In the last five years, the LEA has noted one violation of state minimum standards. On June 22, 2011, the LEA noted a violation of Title 27 CCR, Section 20610 – Training. On July 20, 2011, the LEA determined the violation to be corrected, and found that the facility was in compliance with applicable state minimum standards and permit conditions.

Environmental Analysis:

Under CEQA, the Department must consider, and avoid or substantially lessen where possible, any potentially significant environmental impacts of the proposed SWFP before the Department concurs in it. In this case, the Department is a Responsible Agency under CEQA and must make a determination as to whether this revised SWFP is categorically or statutorily exempt or additional CEQA analysis is necessary.

The LEA proposes to issue a revised SWFP to incorporate the five perimeter monitoring probes into the solid waste facility permitted boundary through a Permit to Enter agreement granted by the Los Angeles County, clarify operational and maintenance hours as well as to update various condition requirements and contact information. The LEA has determined that, pursuant to 14 CCR, Section 15301, this permit application would fall under Categorical Exemption, Class 1 – Existing Facilities. This Categorical Exemption allows for the operation, repair, maintenance, *permitting*, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing private facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's initial approval of the project. Following the approval of the landfill gas perimeter monitoring system, a Notice of Exemption was filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk on December 11, 2009.

The County Sanitation District No.2 of Los Angeles County prepared a Notice of Exemption on September 28, 2011, in order to formalize the hours of operation of various activities associated with the operation of Scholl Canyon Landfill. Landfill operations are defined as the handling and covering of solid waste, and are conducted from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM. During this period, the receipt of refuse is limited between 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM so that the cover operations can be completed by 6 PM. In support of these landfill activities, equipment operations and maintenance are conducted between 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM. This allows activities such as, but not limited to, maintenance and fueling of equipment, preparation of work areas and relocation of equipment.

Department staff prepared a Preliminary Review to determine whether a Categorical Exemption is adequate for the Department's concurrence on this revised SWFP. Department staff made the finding/determination that a Categorical Exemption, 14 CCR, Section 15301 – Existing Facilities was adequate for the Department's concurrence of this revised SWFP. Staff's finding is based on the premise that there is "negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination."

Staff recommends that the Department, acting as a Responsible Agency under CEQA, prepare a Notice of Exemption, based on the Categorical Exemption for existing facilities, to be filed with the State Clearinghouse after the Department's concurrence of the revised SWFP in that the proposed permit is to be issued to an existing facility that will not expand or significantly change its operations beyond that existing. Further, there are no grounds under CEQA for the Department to prepare an environmental document or assume the role of Lead Agency for its consideration of the proposed revised SWFP.

Department staff further recommends the Categorical Exemption is adequate for the Branch Chief's environmental evaluation of the proposed project for those project activities which are within the Department's expertise and authority, or which are required to be carried out or approved by the Department.

The administrative record for the decision to be made by the Department includes the administrative record before the LEA, the proposed revised SWFP and all of its components and supporting documentation, this staff report, the Notice of Exemption, and other documents and materials utilized by the Department in reaching its decision on concurrence in, or objection to, the proposed revised SWFP. The custodian of the Department's administrative record is Dona Sturgess, Legal Office, Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, P.O. Box 4025, Sacramento, CA 95812-4025.

Local Issues:

The project document availability, hearings, and associated meetings were extensively noticed consistent with the SWFP requirements. A review from the public process indicates that environmental justice issues were not identified by the surrounding community (Census Tract 3009.02). Census information indicates that the surrounding population is approximately 71.2% White, 2.0% African American, 16.0% Asian, 0.2% American Indian and Alaska Native, 0.1% Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, 8.7% some other race, and 1.8% two or more races. 17.8% of the total population describe themselves as Hispanic or Latino. 10.6% of the families are below the poverty level. Staff has not identified any local issues related to this item. Staff finds the project and permit process to be consistent with Government Code Section 65040.12, as

there has been fair treatment of people of all races, cultures, and incomes with respect to the proposed action being recommended above.

Public Comments:

The LEA held a public informational meeting on June 27, 2011, at Glenoaks Canyon Park Pavilion, located at 2531 East Glenoaks Boulevard, in the City of Glendale. Five members of the public were in attendance. A member of the public commented on the life of the site. Another member questioned whether the proposed revision would include an increase in tonnage or vehicle truck trips. The LEA and operator answered by indicating that the site life is based on estimated remaining design capacity per the last physical site survey conducted on October 26, 2010 and the revised SWFP was for the incorporation of the five perimeter monitor probes into the permitted facility boundary, and that it would not cause an increase in tonnage or vehicle truck trips. No written comments were received by the LEA or Department staff.

The Department staff provided an opportunity for public comment during the CalRecycle Monthly Public Meeting on August 16, September 20, and on November 15, 2011.

Department Staff Actions:

Staff has worked with the LEA throughout the permit process by providing comments on permitting documents and attended the public meeting where the project was discussed.